

MINUTES

January 27, 2004

The State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors met on January 27, 2004 in Conference Room 102 at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

William W. Dean, PE - Chairman
John H. Sweitzer, PE
Doris I. Willmer, PE
Richard K. Little, PE
E. Charles Vickery, PE
Guy F. Ritter, PE
Theodore W. Waddle, LS, PE
Mark E. Chastain, LS

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Gloria B. Ransom, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT:

J. Darren Mickler – Board Executive Director
Julie Busbee – Board Secretary
Vivian Stephens – Board Application Specialist
Ajay Gohil – Attorney General Representative
Cyndi Houser – Compliance Officer
Jessica Huff – Law Student Intern

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ed Fiegley, Executive Director, Environmental Protection Division
Tom Hurley, Surveying and Mapping Society of Georgia
Jennie Sapp, Georgia Society of Professional Engineers
Lee Jones, Surveying and Mapping Society of Georgia
Mike Fletcher, Structural Engineers Association of Georgia
Jim Case, Structural Engineers Association of Georgia
Farris Cadle, LS

Call to order:

Chairman Dean called the meeting to order at 9:30 am and presented a proposed agenda. Mr. Ritter moved to adopt the amended agenda. Mr. Little seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Dean asked for any additions or deletions to the minutes of the November 18, 2003 Board Meeting. With minor typographical errors changed, Mr. Ritter moved to adopt the minutes as written. Mr. Sweitzer seconded. Motion carried.

Professional Societies and Guests

Chairman Dean recognized the guests and members of the professional societies present.

Executive Director's Report

- Mr. Mickler reported that the deadline for exam applicants to register with ELSEES is March 1, 2004 and impressed on the Board the urgency of completing reviews of the exam applications by the next scheduled application work session on February 3, 2004.
- Mr. Mickler reported that the Help Desk Section has begun, taking most of the phone calls that routinely come into the Board office.
- Mr. Mickler reported that he has received brochures from tour companies in Savannah to review for the 2006 NCEES Southern Zone meeting to be held there.
- Mr. Mickler reported that there is a change in the administrator of exams at Georgia Tech for those senior students who sit for the EIT exam. ELSEES will be training the new proctors in Atlanta for the upcoming exam.

Old Business:

Nominations for NCEES Awards:

Mr. Mickler updated the Board that he had contacted Betsy Browne with NCEES and discovered that Mr. Ted Stivers, PE has received all awards except for the Meritorious Service Award. Mr. Dean requested Mr. Mickler to complete the application to submit Mr. Stivers' name for consideration for this award before the deadline of January 31, 2004.

Sealing of Documents:

Mr. Little discussed the Board rule for sealing of documents and the possible need for definitions of "issued" and "work in progress." Mr. Little will prepare a proposal and present it at the March 16, 2004 Board meeting.

Evaluation of Foreign Education:

Mr. Ritter presented a proposed Board policy regarding reviewing of applications of persons who obtained their education outside the United States. The proposed policy is outlined as follows:

Foreign Education

= reviewed under 43-15-9.3

Favorable ECEI Evaluation = reviewed under 43-15-9.2
Favorable ECEI Evaluation
+ MS* ABET approved @ BS or MS level = reviewed under 43-15-9.1

Unfavorable Foreign Evaluation = reviewed under 43-15-9.3 with
Credit for Education

Unfavorable Foreign Evaluation + MS* ABET approved @ BS or MS Level or
No Foreign Evaluation = reviewed under 43-15-9.2

NOTE: A foreign education may be advanced to a 43-15-9.1 level only with a favorable foreign education evaluation and an acceptable Masters Degree*. Although Board Rule 180-3-.04 allows applicants to be reviewed without a foreign education evaluation, it does not automatically entitle the applicant to be reviewed under 43-15-9.1.

Approved Technology Degree = reviewed under 43-15-9.2

Approved Technology Degree
+ MS* ABET approved @ BS or MS level = reviewed under 43-15-9.2 + 12
months experience

Favorable foreign education
Except for humanities and social sciences = reviewed under 43-15-9.2

Favorable foreign education
Except for humanities and social sciences
+ MS* ABET approved @ BS or MS level = reviewed under 43-15-9.2 +
months experience

*MS degree must be in the same discipline as BS degree

Mr. Vickery moved to adopt the policy as outlined. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

Policy for Holding Applications Due to Investigation:

This item was deferred to the March 16, 2004 meeting.

Penalty Schedule:

This item was deferred to the March 16, 2004 meeting.

Direct PE Supervision:

Mr. Ritter discussed “direct supervisory control” as it pertains to the practice of professional engineering. The letter proposed revising the language in Board Rule 180-6-.03 to allow for licensed supervisors to meet with unlicensed subordinates periodically

and not on a daily basis. Following discussion, Mr. Dean said that he would write an article for Georgia Engineering Magazine to better educate licensees in this matter.

New Business:

New Board Members:

Mr. Dean recognized the newly appointed Board members – Mr. Theodore W. Waddle, LS, PE, Mr. Mark E. Chastain, LS and Ms. Doris I. Willmer, PE, who were sworn in on December 18, 2003.

Notice of Borrower Default on Repayment of Student Loan:

Mr. Sweitzer moved to suspend the LSIT certificate of Cherkeeth J. Jackson, certificate number LSIT000371, for failure to repay a student loan, and further moved that this suspension will cease upon receipt by the Division Director of a “Notice of Release” from the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

House Bill 986:

Mr. Chastain moved that the Board endorse passage of House Bill 986, which requires a four-year degree for professional engineer and land surveyor applicants, effective 2010 for engineers-in-training and land surveyors-in-training and 2013 for professional engineers and land surveyors. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

Calculator Policy for Exams:

Mr. Chastain commented that NCEES has clarified this policy. No action taken.

DCA Meeting:

Mr. Dean instructed Mr. Mickler to set up a meeting with Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and Georgia Association of Residential Engineers (GARE) for February 3, 2004 in Atlanta, in conjunction with the Application Work Session already scheduled for that day. A report of that meeting will be presented at the March 16 Board meeting.

Four Offerings:

Mr. Mickler reported that he is working on a proposed rule change to coincide with the NCEES Model Law. He will bring his proposal to the March 16 meeting.

Mission Statement:

Mr. Sweitzer moved that the Board should officially set up a Task Force with appointments of one land surveyor, one professional engineer, the public member and

one member from each of the following professional societies: American Council of Engineering Companies of Georgia (ACEC/G), Georgia Society of Professional Engineers (GSPE), American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and Surveying and Mapping Society of Georgia (SAMSOG). The members of the Board appointed shall be Doris Willmer, PE, who will chair the Task Force, Mark Chastain, LS and Gloria Ransom, Ph.D. Mr. Little seconded. Motion carried.

Southern Zone Meeting in Asheville, NC:

Mr. Mickler reported that there would not likely be any state funding for Board members to attend the Southern Zone Meeting in Asheville, NC in May. Mr. Ritter reported that a hotel in Asheville near the convention site would offer a group rate to the Board if reservations were made together.

At 11:40 am, Mr. Sweitzer moved to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports. Mr. Vickery seconded. Motion carried.

Executive Session:

The following Board members were present during Executive Session – Chairman Dean, Mr. Sweitzer, Mr. Vickery, Mr. Waddle, Ms. Willmer, Mr. Chastain, Mr. Ritter and Mr. Little.

Reconvened Open Session at 3:45 PM with the following Board members present - Chairman Dean, Mr. Sweitzer, Mr. Vickery, Mr. Chastain, Ms. Willmer, Mr. Ritter, Mr. Little:

Investigations and Complaints:

Mr. Little moved to accept a signed Consent Order with Public Reprimand from Smith, Seckman and Reid for improper use of seal. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Ritter moved to accept a signed Cease and Desist Order from Harry Hawkins for unlicensed practice of professional engineering. Mr. Vickery seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Vickery moved to accept a signed Cease and Desist Order from Jason Dunn for unlicensed practice of land surveying. Mr. Little seconded. Motion carried.

PELS040020 – This case was reopened from a previous investigation at the request of the complainant. It involved allegations of substandard practice of land surveying. Mr. Sweitzer moved to close this case with no violations found. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

PELS030006 – This case involved a land surveyor with allegations of assisting unlicensed practice. Mr. Sweitzer moved to close this case administratively because the respondent is deceased. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

PELS040029 – This case involved a company practicing engineering without a Certificate of Authorization. Mr. Sweitzer moved for a Cease and Desist Order with \$1000 fine for the company and the engineer who is employed by the company, offering services on their behalf in Georgia and is not licensed in Georgia. Furthermore, the company will be required to send proof of requesting the Yellow Pages to remove from their name from advertisement under the category of “Engineers.” Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

PELS040004 – This case involved a firm practicing engineering without a Certificate of Authorization. They sent an application before they were notified of violation; therefore, Mr. Ritter moved to close the case with no violations. Mr. Chastain seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Little moved to deny reinstatement of HHT’s professional engineer’s license, but will entertain reapplication after January 1, 2009. Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

• **Board Memo Comity Model Law Applicants:**

Applicants for registration as Professional Engineers by comity, who have an ABET engineering degree, who have taken and passed an 8-hour fundamentals of engineering (EIT/FE) exam, who have a minimum of 48 months post graduation engineering experience as determined by a staff evaluation using the present Board guidelines, who have taken and passed an 8-hour principles and practice of engineering exam (PE Exam-taken at least 4 years after BS degree), and who comply in every way with the provisions of the appropriate law(s), are as follows:

29159 Tran, Tuan Q.	29160 Wright, Jeffrey L.	29162 Bennett, Jon A.
29163 Nourmohammadi, Khosrow N.	29164 Doyle, Robert E.	29165 Perrot, Steven C.
29166 Stanton, Francis J.	29180 Bybee, Roger D.	29181 Cordner III, John
29182 Obenchain Jr., John B.	29183 Atwater, James M.	29184 Buckingham Jr, James R
29185 Martinenza, Kristen M.	29186 Neubauer, Robert J.	29190 Sethi, Seemesh M.
29191 Kelinsorge, Raymond A.	29192 Thurman, Germaine E.	29193 Zarske, Kirk M.
29194 Arat. Attila	29195 Teasley, F Lillard	29196 Wiseman, John D.
29320 Wilkinson, Clifford	29322 Hall, David J.	29323 Lee, Wilson
29324 Rattenbury, John M.	29326 Ivanoff, Nick	29327 Largent, Stephen D.
29328 Swanson, Donald L.	29329 Tweedy, Kevin L.	

Mr. Little moved to approve these applicants for PE registration by comity @ 43-15-16(a), via 43-15-8(1) and 43-15-9(1). Mr. Ritter seconded. Motion carried.

• **Applications for Regular Applicants seeking certification as an Engineer-in-Training by Exam**

Applicants for certification as an Engineers-in-Training by examination whose degrees were earned in engineering or engineering technology programs which attained ABET/CAB accreditation within two years of their having received their degrees, who have filed with the Board five acceptable references, who have had no convictions for moral turpitude or substantive reasons, and who comply in every way with the provisions of the appropriate law(s), are as follows:

Alkhatib, Kifah H.	Anderson, Reginald Maurice	Azabache, Diana C.
Beckford, Howard Andre	Broach, William R.	Brown, Gary Demon
Butterfield, Charles Kelly	Collins, Calvin Neville	Crowley, Jeffery Jason
Davies, Timothy Craig	Days, Paula Elise Hunt	Deppensmith, Mark Allen
Flannery, Conor James	Franks, Kenneth Kacey	Freels, Clayton Dean
Freeman, Melvin O.	Garrish, Christopher Edward	Gilstrap, Matthew Timothy
Herman, Robyn Lynnette	Johnson, William Neil	Kazi, Bablu
Killian, Thomas Warren	Koehler, Brian Haines	Kryszon, Guenter Francis
Lal, Pratyush	Leatherwood, Fredrick Jason	Leber, Jody Marcello
Legree, Calenia M.	Mathews, Sharron Elise	McClendon, Jonathan Paul
Millard, Marcus John	Mitchell, Michelle Nicole	Morris, Jonathan Michael
Nantambu, Kwesi Ayo	Nguyen, Michael Phi	Patmore III, Louis Edward
Philippeaux, Jean Bernard	Rackley, Scott Harwell	Ray, Garrick Sharod
Rodriguez, Javier	Smith, Horace Matthew	Weeber, Jeffrey Lawton
White, Robert Andrew	White, Steven T.	Woods, Christopher N.
Yarrington, Lydia Brianna	Young, Chariti Ann	

Mr. Little moved to approve these applicants for EIT certification @ 43-15-8(1) or 43-15-8(2). Mr. Vickery seconded. The motion carried.

- **Applications for Senior Applicants seeking certification as an Engineer-in-Training by Exam**

Applicants for certification as an Engineers-in-Training by examination who are currently enrolled as seniors in ABET approved programs in schools, colleges or universities in Georgia, who have filed with the Board five acceptable references, who have had no convictions for moral turpitude or other substantive reasons, and in every way comply with the provisions of the appropriate law(s) are as follows:

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Civil & Environmental

Addison, Jesse Ward	Anderson, James Eric	Baltz, George Henry III
Barr, Christopher Wayne	Barry, John Walter	Beckwith, Staci Lynn
Buckalew, Ryan Owen	Butler, Kevin Wayne	Case, Matthew Aaron
Cash, Christopher Douglas	Coleman, Sean Herbert	Cooper, Jennifer Ann
Crosby, Adam Charles	Dean, Joseph Daniel	DeLaTorre, Nelson
El-Khoury, Amine K.	Gentry, Donald Adam	Golden, Jeremy Charles
Groninger, Derek Dwight	Haddad, Nicholas Jacob	Henry, Jeffery Craig
Herron, Melantha D.	Hom, Stephanie Carolyn	Jadalipour, Behrouz
Johnson, Latoya Nicole	Kaplan, Alisha Ryan	Katz, Aron Jacob
Kim, Keonwoo	Kluemper, Anthony James	Lawson, Erin Rebecca
Liu, Sengphet Julia	Lucero, Stephanie Joyce	Lyons, Michelle Leigh

Markarian, Andre
Moore, Patrick Kelly
Newberry, Lucia Ann
Porter, Casey Lester
Schaap, Neil Michael
Senkbeil, Jarrett Michael
Swift, James Andrew
Usher, Christopher Eliot
Wetherell, Ryan Sterling
Woods, Brian Eugene

McDaniel, Adam Marshall
Morris, Giovanna Elizabeth
Peterson, Kristen Rose
Rasberry, Katherine Denise
Schildmeyer, Andrew Joseph
Smith, David Alvin
Tartaglia, Andrew Lee
Walker, Samuel Jacob
Williams, Shaun L.

Milling, Dashaun Montell
Mullenix, Terry Alan
Pitts, Christian Livingston
Reddy, Aaron Thomas
Seang, Mary Kim
Suazo, Rafael Esteban
Treadwell, Thomas Joshua
Wells, William Allen
Wintsch, Shirley Aida

GA TECH (Civil/Environmental Re-Take

Lokey, Christina Nicole

Wood Jr., Joel Bruce

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Electrical & Computer Engineering

Adewale, Fiyinfolu Ogo-Oluwa
Barik, Titus
Braden, Robert Alan
Cox, Jeremy David
Do, David Huu
Gore, Bennie Jo
Howell, Ronnie Blake
Kim, Suntae
Lodha, Amol
McClure Jr., Clinton Lee
O'Regan, Daniel Richard
Patel, Komal Mitesh
Rennie, Albert G.
Sobhan, Waheed Rahman
Stubbs, Andrew Lee
Walliser, Matthew Paul

Adurkar, Pranjal Satish
Bean, Thomas Chandler
Chernoff, Jeffrey Ryan
Denig, Colin M.
Foley, David Allen
Himmelein, John Anthony
Irusalimsky, Maria Michaela
Krissoff, Jamie Aaron
Marantica, Philip Andrew
Meads, Jeremy Scott
Osorio, Lucas
Pinn, Gregory
Roberts, Christopher Michael
Stalvey, Carl Leland
Swofford, Samantha Nicole
Wester, Brock Andrew

Baietti, Rinaldo A.
Boylan, Jason Torres
Chow, Irene Dershin
Desai, Shaishav Nixlesh
Guo, Xin
Housel, Jeffery Dean
Jones, Bryan Dale
Lemberg, Ryan Christopher
Mathes, Ray Bert
Meuleners, Michael Scott
Park, Joo Wan
Powell, Michael D.
Siegel, Stephanie Mercedes
Stone, Darren Eugene
Taylor, Nalishia N.
Wierzbowski, Paul Jen

Industrial & Systems Engineering

Bittorf, Peter Joseph

Poole, Tiffany Elizabeth

GEORGIA TECH

Mechanical

Arroyo, Cindy
Birdwell, Jay Alexander
Chikas, Tony George
Clarke, Andrew Edward

Balakrishnan, Shreyas
Byrne, Douglas Scott
Chung, Bummo
Cline, James Lamar

Binder, Joel Samuel
Cavender, Joshua Miles
Claghorn, Alan Montgomery
Curry, Ryan Benjamin

Dalberg, James Lee
Dixon, David Edward
Ewing, Ashlyn Barrett
Holden, Colin W.
Hsia, Michael His
Indech, Jennifer Lee
Leeke, Jonathon Scott
McCain, Daniel Marcus
Muhlberger, Emily Elizabeth
Patel, Rubin Chandrashekhar
Reynolds, Craig Benjamin
Roman, Ivan Daniel
Seaman, Mark Jon
Senneway, David Michael
Shratter, Daniel Benjamin
Skejc, Adis
Tobias, Michael Daniel
Wisehart, Jonathan Oswell

David, Milnes Paul
Doyal, William Dustin
Fong, Sheenfar Sean
Holler, Kevin R.
Iums, Travis James
Irungu, Gitau
Leiseca, Juan Pablo
McCreery, Anthony Bradshaw
Mulford, Michael Scott
Prather, Matthew C.
Rigsby, Rebecca Jean
Rotow, Michael Joseph
Schafer, Bradley John
Shaffer Jr., Robert Clarence
Simpson, William Peter
Szczepaniec, Matthew Jared
Veazey Jr., Philip Ronald
Zerayohannes, Teklemariam E.

Dawkins, Jason Michael
Dunaway, Wesley Price
Foster, Matthew Jocelyn
Howard, Christine Dian
Idnani, Samir Suresh
Larson, Erika Rae
Ladonald, Benjamin Lee
Moughon, Luke Frank
Ortkiese, Russell Keith
Reed, Matthew Robert
Ritz, Nathan James
Sanford, David Shawn
Schultz, Robert Dargan
Shah, Raja K.
Skala, Ashley Elizabeth
Tillery, Steven William
Weaver, Justin Charles

Re-Take (GA Tech-Mechanical)

Duncan, Robert William

Ehrich, Brian

Schlender, Erich

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Regional Engineering Program

Sapp, Brian Keith

Wilcher, Rodney

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Aerospace Engineering

Maston, Christopher P.

GEORGIA SOUTHERN

Bazemore, Travis Clayton
Hampton, Matthew Tommy
Lilly, Russell Bryant
McElrath, Timothy Michael

Brown, Jeremy Walter
Hendrix, Mitchell Larue
Martin, Theron Wesley
Stewart, David L.

Freeman, Martin Scott
Kudrasovs, Tera Christine
McCann, Glenn Elver
Tyson, Neil Justin

MERCER

Adkins, Devin Lyle
Barnes, Amanda Hope
Chapman, Eric H.
Cook, Tara Korine

Arnett, David Paul
Bentley, Carrie Anne
Cochran, Timothy Brian
Crain, Melissa Joyce

Baldwin, Erin Marie
Bissmeyer, Jonathan B.
Coleman, Thomas Daryl
Crawford, Tisha comekan

Davis, Jason Michael
Eddy, Carl Phillip
Harris, Dorothy H.
Jones, Melinda Danetra
Lively, Charles Wesley
Nanez, Doug A.
Nino, Jenny Katherine
Penister, Aisha Yanick
Riley, Jonathan Partrick
Smith, Andria Nichelle
Thompson, April Danielle
Woods, Rachel Erin

Debass, Samson G.
Gaines, Jason W.
Hartman Jr., Donald Everett
Lassiter, Jason Brant
Miller, Charmorge Chan'teau
Nastase, Gregory Phillip
Nuth, Nathan Naing
Pusha, Ayana Tahirah
Rowan, Cody Candler
Strunk, Jonathan A.
Williamson, Josh Alfred
Woods, Tosha Alene

Desai, Neera R.
Gonet, Patrick Alan
Johnson Jr., Willie Calvin
LeSeane, Latika Rene
Mims, Ashley Amanda
Nelson, Leah Susan
Parsons, Kevin Wayne
Radney, Cherri Tanika
Small, Jason Michael
Thatcher, Elizabeth Jeanne
Willig, Galen John
Yi, Hyong K.

Re-Take

Arhin, Benjamin A.

Heck, Amy

SOUTHERN POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY

Aragon, Kimberly Diane Swann
Buchanan, John Mark
Goolsby, Brian Nichols
Heath, Timothy Joseph
Maliki-Raimi, Abdel Kader
Pettigrew, John Franklin
Tooke, Vincent Cornell

Ashton, Henry William
Callies, Stephen Geoffry
Hagerich, John Cameron
Henderson, Nina Adell
Mishoe, Aaron Edward
Restrepo, Roberto
Wheeler, Shawn Dale

Boling, Adam Joshua
Evans, Bryan Ashley
Hameed, Jamal Abdul
Krieger, Jeremy Ryan
Nembhard, Dale Anthony
Talbot, Dan Andrew
Yeo, Lognigue

Re-Take

Fremanich, Bradley Carl

Krawczuk, Mary Patricia

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

UGA-BSAE

Dryden, Robert George
Uyesugi, Kelli Denise

Neundorfer, James Kyle

Roberts, Johnathan David

UGA-BSBE

Bystedt, Melissa Kaye
Holland, Jeffery Mike
Sawaya, George Mike

Coulon, Michael James
Jay, Steven Michael

Ham, Walter Allan
Pallas, Laura Ann

ACTION OF THE BOARD: Mr. Vickery moved to approve these applicants for EIT certification @ 43-15-8(1) or 43-15-8(2). Mr. Little seconded. The motion carried.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Dean asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Little so moved. Mr. Chastain seconded. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm. Board members remained after the meeting to complete reviews of applications until they were finished.

These minutes were approved at the March 16, 2004 Board meeting.

Board Chairman

Division Director

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